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R is unsubstituted or substituted C₁-C₁₂alkyl, unsubstituted or substituted C₂-C₄alkenyl, unsubstituted or substituted C₂-C₄alkynyl, unsubstituted or substituted C₃-C₆cycloalkyl, unsubstituted or substituted aryl, unsubstituted or substituted heterocyclyl, or -SR₆; and

R₆ is unsubstituted or substituted C₁-C₁₂alkyl, unsubstituted or substituted C₂-C₄alkenyl, unsubstituted or substituted C₂-C₄alkynyl, unsubstituted or substituted C₃-C₆cycloalkyl, unsubstituted or substituted aryl or unsubstituted or substituted heterocycl, unsubstituted or substituted aryl or unsubstituted or substituted heterocycl, unsubstituted or substituted aryl or unsubstituted or substituted heterocycl,

X₁ is a leaving group;

with a halogenating agent, in the presence of a base. - -

REMARKS

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Upon entry of the above amendment, claim 10 is the only claim pending in the instant case. The preliminary amendment amends the original application to claim step (a) of original claim 1. Support for the amendment can be found in the specification and claims as originally filed. No new matter has been added by the instant amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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